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SUBJ: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND
RESOURCES: NOMINATION OF DR. KWON SOOK-PYO

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1. POST NOMINATES DR. KWON SOOK-PYO, PROFESSOR OF PREVENTIVE MEDICINE OF MEDICAL SCHOOL AND DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION RESEARCH AT YONSEI UNIVERSITY, FOR FY77 IV GRANT FOR PARTICIPATION IN SUBJECT PROJECT. THIS NOMINATION IS FOR FULL GRANT, INCLUDING ROUND TRIP INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, PER DIEM, AND OTHER USUAL GRANT BENEFITS.

2. DR. KWON IS FOREMOST AUTHORITY ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND HAS IMPRESSED INTERVIEWING OFFICERS AS ONE OF MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE AND INFLUNTIAL PERSONS IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND POLLUTION CONTROL EFFORTS IN KOREA. YONSEI UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION RESEARCH WHICH HE ESTABLISHED IN 1968 IS ENGAGED IN WIDE VARIETY OF SCIENTIFIC FIELD INVESTIGATION AND RESEARCH AS WELL AS ANTI-POLLUTION ACTIVITIES THROUGH SEMINARS, LECTURES AND SYMPOSIA,
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AND PUBLICATIONS. IN ADDITION, HE SEEMS TO EXERCISE

CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE ON GOVERNMENT POLLUTION CONTROL POLICIES AS CHAIRMAN OR KEY MEMBER OF VARIOUS GOVERNMENT COMMITTEES. POST CONFIDENT KWON WILL PROVE TO BE SUCCESSFUL SEMINAR PARTICIPANT AND CAN CONTRIBUTE MUCH IN FUTURE COOPERATION BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES IN THIS CRUCIAL AREA.

3. BORN IN MUAN-GUN, CHOLLANAM-DO, KOREA ON SEPTEMBER 29, 1920, KWON GRADUATE GIFU COLLEGE OF PHARMACY, JAPAN, 1941, WITH B.S. DEGREE; RECEIVED DIPLOMA OF PHARMACY FROM NATIONAL INSTITUTE HEALTH, JAPANESE MINISTRY OF WELFARE, TOKYO, 1942; B.S. FROM DEPT OF MEDICINE, TOKYO UNIVERSITY, 1945; PH.D. IN PHARMACY FROM SEOUL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL, 1970. PROFESSOR AT COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, YONSEI UNIVERSITY SINCE 1963 (CHAIRMAN, DEPT PUBLIC HEALTH, GRADUATE SCHOOL, 1973-75) AND DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION RESEARCH SINCE 1968; ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PHARMACY, CHUNGANG UNIVERSITY, 1961-63; PROFESSOR, MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY, NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TRAINING, MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS (MHSA), 1960-61; CHIEF, PLANNING AND SUPPLY SECTION, BUREAU OF PHARMACEUTICAL ADMINISTRATION, MHSA, 1956-57; CHIEF, DEPT OF SANITARY CHEMISTRY, NATIONAL CHEMISTRY LABORATORY, MHSA, 1946-1956. SPEAKS VERY GOOD ENGLISH, SHOULD HAVE NO DIFFICULTY IN FULL PARTICIPATION SUBJECT PROJECT.

4. MEMBER, KOREAN SOCIETY PUBLIC HEALTH SINCE 1972; BOARD MEMBER, KOREAN INDUSTRIAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION SINCE 1970; BOARD MEMBER, KOREAN SCHOOL HEALTH ASSOCIATION SINCE 1971; BOARD MEMBER, KOREAN SOCIETY PREVENTIVE MEDICINE SINCE 1971; MEMBER, PLANNING COMMITTEE, KOREAN DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE SINCE 1976; CHAIRMAN, URBAN ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING COMMITTEE, SEOUL CITY SINCE 1974; MEMBER, NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE SINCE 1968; DIRECTOR-GENERAL, KOREAN INSTITUTE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION SINCE 1975; , MEMBER, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION RESEARCH COMMITTEE, NATIONAL ACADEMY UNCLASSIFIED

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OF SCIENCE SINCE 1971.

5. HAS CONDUCTED MANY RESEARCH PROJECTS, INCLUDING SURVEY ON "WATER QUALITY OF HAN RIVER BASIN," "SIMULATION AND PLAN FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN A-SAN BAY INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX," "BASIC PLAN FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN CHANG-WON INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX." IN ADDITION TO OVER 60 OTHER

REPORTS IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND POLLUTION CONTROL, HAS PUBLISHED ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION AND COUNTER MEASURES (IN THREE VOLUMES TOTALLING 1,585 PAGES DEALING WITH ALL ASPECTS OF POLLUTION AND COUNTER MEASURES), 1973 AND ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, 1972.

6. TRAVEL ABROAD INCLUDES U.S.A., MAY 1955-MAY 1956, FOR TRAINING IN SANITARY ENGINEERING AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION UNDER AUSPICES UNITED NATIONS KOREAN RECONSTRUCTION AGENCY (UNKRA), AND IN DECEMBER 1969 TO ATTEND EAST-WEST CENTER SPONSORED SEMINAR ON HEALTH SERVICE ADMINISTRATION; TOKYO, JAPAN FOR OBSERVATION OF SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAMS, JUNE 1974, AND TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON "INDUSTRIALIZATION AND ENVIRONMENT" SPONSORED BY FRIEDRICH EBERT FOUNDATION, SEPTEMBER 1974; HONG KONG, JUNE 1975, TO ATTEND EAST-WEST CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION; TAIWAN, JANUARY 1976, TO ATTEND ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH OF EASTERN COUNTRIES UNDER AUSPICES U.S. CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION FUND.

7. KWON'S PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS INCLUDE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING IN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT, WATER RESOURCES CONSERVATION, AND ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING. MAJOR U.S. CONTACTS: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND EAST-WEST CENTER.

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